# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# DEFENCE
# LOK SABHA

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TEST FLIGHT OF PILOTLESS COMBAT AIRCRAFT LAKSHYA
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**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has conducted the test flight of pilotless combat aircraft the 'Lakshya' recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the outcome of the said test flight?

## Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): Two Lakshya development campaigns were conducted at Integrated Test Range (ITR), Balasore during 3-5 January 2007 and 5-9 March 2007 to fly digital Pilotless Target Aircraft, Lakshya in autonomous mode and evaluate engine performance with one tow and one stow configuration, respectively. Both the campaigns met with the broad mission objectives.